सेवा निवृत्ति के पश्चात् सेवा अवधि में वृद्धि करने हेतु मानदण्ड :

*359. **श्री कनकसिंह मोहन सिंह मंगरोला :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सेवानिवृत्ति होने की तिथि से आगे सरकारी कर्मचारियों की सेवा अवधि को बढ़ाने के मानदंड क्या है ; और

(ख) वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान प्रथम श्रेणी के कितने अधिकारियों की सेवा अवधि बढ़ाई गई और इसका विभागवार ब्यौरा क्या है ?

कार्मिक लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती मार्ग्रेट आल्वा) : (क) विद्यमान अनुदेशों के अनुसार सेवा निवृत्ति की आयु के बाद सेवावृधि में वृद्धि पूर्णतः लोकहित में विरले एवं आपवादिक मामलों में ही दी जाए। इसके अतिरिक्त निम्न में से एक शर्त पूरी होनी चाहिए कि :—

(i) इस पद को संभालने के लिए दूसरे अधिकारी प्रर्याप्त परिपक्व नहीं हैं ।

(ii) सेवा-निवृत्त होने वाला अधिकारी उत्कृष्ट योग्यता वाला है ।

(ख) यह सूचना केन्द्रीकृत रूप से मानीटर नहीं की जाती हैं ।

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*360. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has warned Government that the propsed grant of 55 million dollars for the manufacturing of solar energy equipment will be withdrawn;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the companies manufacturing solar equipment have failed in commercialising the solar energy equipment among the urban and rural consumers;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the manufecturers are reluctant to manufacture the equipment due to reduction made by Government in the subsidy on equipment;

(f) if so, the reasons for reduction in the subsidy on solar equipments; and

(g) the steps taken by Government to ensure availability of solar energy equipments to the rural people.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-COVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Commercialisation of some of the solar energy equipments has already started.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) In case of solar water heater and solar cooker subsidy has been phased out and a soft loan assistance scheme has been introduced. There is no reduction in subsidy on other systems.

(g) A number of fiscal and financial incentives are avialable to manufacturers and users of solar energy equipments. The World Bank line of credit is available or solar photovoltaic market development through Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA).

For purchase of photovoltaic systems, under the socially oriented scheme, a central subsidy is available to the users special category State|UTs islands, desert areas, hill regions and certain cetegories of beneficiaries in other parts of the country.

Soft loan assistance is avialable for purchase of solar photovoltaic systems to any user under the market oriented scheme, being implemented through IREDA. Central subsidy is being provided for solar air heater and solar desalination systems.